

PULPIT MINISTRY MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 1, 2010

Text: John 13

Title: You are not all clean

INTRODUCTION

1. The Act

The famous Washing of the Feet of the Disciples

2. The Significance

a) Then

b) Now

THE SYMBOL OF CLEANSING

1. No full understanding (oida)

“Jesus answered and said to him, ‘What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this.’” *John 13:7*

2. How Understanding comes about

a) Gradual

b) Aspectual

3. Clearing Peter’s misunderstanding

a) Peter rejects Jesus’ attempt to wash his feet (nipto- in part)

b) Jesus gives a solemn Word of warning

c) Peter repents and asked Jesus to wash him (louo – in full)

d) Peter proved Jesus right

i) There was no full understanding

ii) There was mixed-up understanding

iii) There was confusion in understanding what Jesus said and meant

SPECIAL WORD OF APPLICATION TO THE DISCIPLES

“Jesus said to him, ‘He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.’

For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, ‘You are not all clean.’”
John 13:10-11

1. He who is bathed (has been cleansed... perfective concept)
2. He is completely clean
3. But Not all of you

SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE WITH REFERENCE TO JUDAS ISCARIOT

1. Had never been cleansed

- a) Judas has never been cleansed
- b) He had remained unclean all the while he was with Jesus

2. Had never received Jesus (Note context)

“He who receives Me receives Him who sent Me” John 13:20b

- a) He had never really received Jesus
- b) Thus he had never really received God either

3. Had been infiltrated by the Devil

“And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, to betray Him.” John 13:2

“He who eats bread with Me has lifted up his heel against Me.” John 13:18

“And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. John 13:26b-27

- a) Satan had already begun his work in Judas
- b) Satan now possesses Judas
- c) Possible only because Judas had never been cleansed

SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE TO US TODAY

1. Have we received Jesus?

2. Have we been cleansed?

a) As a whole Louo

b) In part Nipto